

# **HOUSE . . . . .No. 4121**

## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

---

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 24, 2012.**

**The committee on Rules, reports, under the provisions of House Rules 7B and 7C, that the accompanying order relative to special procedures for consideration of the House Bill reforming election laws (House, No. 4120) ought to be adopted.**

**For the committee,**

---

**John J. Binienda**

# **HOUSE . . . . . No. 4121**

---

Filed by Mr. Binienda of Worcester. May 24, 2012.

---

House of Representatives, May 24, 2012.

1           *Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the provisions of any rule to the contrary,  
2 amendments to House Bill No. 4120, “An Act reforming election laws,” or substitute text  
3 recommended for or offered to the subject matter contained therein shall be properly  
4 filed with the Clerk of the House in electronic format to be determined by the Clerk as  
5 directed by the Speaker prior to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 29, 2012, except for perfecting  
6 or consolidating amendments offered by the House Committee on Ways and Means;  
7 provided that the Clerk shall notify by electronic communication the primary sponsor of  
8 each amendment of the receipt of such amendment and the number assigned by said  
9 Clerk to said amendment; provided further, that the Clerk shall print each amendment so  
10 filed electronically; and such printed copy shall be considered to be the official  
11 amendment; and be it further

12           *Ordered*, That, except for perfecting or consolidated amendments offered by the  
13 House Committee on Ways and Means, no proposition on a subject different from the  
14 amendment under consideration shall be admitted under color of a further amendment,  
15 except that, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 20A, any member may remove  
16 his/her amendment from the consolidated amendment and offer it as an amendment in the  
17 first degree, to be acted upon before action is taken on the consolidated amendment;  
18 provided further, that, notwithstanding the provisions of House Rule 74, consolidated  
19 amendments may not be divided; and be it further

20           *Ordered*, That, any amendment not complying with the provisions of the special  
21 rules of procedure stated herein shall be considered withdrawn.